



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
<http://board.co.la.ca.us/blc>**

Wednesday, April 10, 2013

9:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-1821)

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Present: President Steven Afriat, Secretary Sara Vasquez, Commissioner Shan Lee and Commissioner James Barger

Excused: Vice President Renée Campbell

1. Call to Order. (13-1539)

President Afriat called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Afriat.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

2. Approval of Minutes for the meeting of March 13, 2013. (13-1540)

On motion of Commissioner Barger, seconded by Commissioner Vasquez, duly carried by the following vote, this item was approved.

Ayes: 3 - President Steven Afriat, Commissioner Shan Lee and Commissioner James Barger

Abstentions: 1 - Secretary Sara Vasquez

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II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Hearing on application for issuance of new Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit to Lee A. Souleles for Jacob Zamora Memorial Foundation, located at 27645 Sycamore Creek Drive, Santa Clarita, CA 91354 in the First District. (13-1749)

Lee A. Souleles, representative for Jacob Zamora Memorial Foundation, provided an overview of the organization. Ms. Souleles explained that the organization was created to commemorate the life of Jacob Zamora, whom due to a work related accident, lost his life; his dream was to become a California Highway Patrol Officer. Ms. Souleles stated that in memory of Jacob Zamora the organization hosts an annual shooting event at the Oak Tree Gun Club and all proceeds benefit the California Highway Patrol (CHP) Explorer Program and a Scholarship Program for Santa Clarita students.

In response to questions posed by Commissioners, Ms. Souleles confirmed that last year's event net proceeds were \$16,000; all staff time is voluntary. Financial operations are handled by Board Members. Susan Zamora, mother of Jacob Zamora and Chief Executive Officer of the Jacob Zamora Memorial Foundation, explained that contributions are divided into thirds and three scholarships will be awarded to recipients this year. At the request of President Afriat, Ms. Souleles agreed to require two signatures on all checks.

On motion of Commissioner Barger, seconded by President Afriat, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the issuance of a new Information Card.

On motion of Commissioner Barger, seconded by Secretary Vasquez, and unanimously carried, the Commission received the Notice of Intention to Solicit.

Ayes: 4 - President Steven Afriat, Secretary Sara Vasquez, Commissioner Shan Lee and Commissioner James Barger

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4. Hearing on application for Entertainment-General Business License ID# 136535, to issue a new license to Don Chente, Inc. Vicente Ortiz, owner of Don Chente Bar & Grill located at 2144 E. Florence Avenue, Walnut Park, CA 90255 in the Second District. (13-1750)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals; TTC has no objection to the issuance of the license.

Vicente Ortiz, owner of Don Chente Bar & Grill, provided an overview of the business. It is a family restaurant with entertainment consisting of live music and a disc jockey. The stage is elevated approximately eight inches above ground level and there is no dressing room.

President Afriat questioned why the applicant did not apply for a dance license, but included a dance floor in the floor plan.

Ralph Villalobos, Vision Investment Services representing Mr. Ortiz, indicated a dance license was originally submitted; the potential dance area was limited and tables would have to be moved.

Cristina Hernandez, TTC, stated that Regional Planning approved the entertainment license, but denied the dance license.

Alice Wong, Regional Planning, reported that based on the information she received, it was denied because when the owner was asked about dancing at the Regional Planning Commission Hearing, he stated that there would be no dancing.

Commissioners questioned the denial of the dance license and asked Ms. Wong to confirm the reason for the denial. Mr. Ortiz was instructed to submit a revised floor plan that excludes the dance floor.

On motion of Commissioner Vasquez, seconded by Commissioner Barger, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the aforementioned license with the following conditions:

- **Stage waiver**
- **Dressing room waiver**
- **Submit a revised floor plan that excludes the dance floor within 30 days**

Ayes: 4 - President Steven Afriat, Secretary Sara Vasquez, Commissioner Shan Lee and Commissioner James Barger

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5. Hearing on application for Bowling Alley/Game Arcade & Billiard Room Business License ID# 139437, to issue a new license to GWE Universal, LLC, to Gregory Stevens, Adam Telanoff and Mark Newgreen for Jillians located at 1000 Universal Studios Blvd., G103, Universal City, CA 91608 in the Third District. (13-1751)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that the Billiard Room is handled by the Sheriff's Department and they have no objections. The applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals including a background check; TTC has no objections to the issuance of the license. Ms. Hernandez added that a licensed manager is required for the Game Arcade section of the business.

Adam Telanoff, representative for Jillians, clarified that the business is under the ownership of GameWorks Entertainment Universal, LLC.

In response to questions posed by President Afriat, German Melgar, site general manager for Jillians, confirmed that entrance to the Billiard room is restricted, only patrons ages 21 and over with valid identification are allowed; staff monitors for any illegal behavior such as gambling. He added that food and alcoholic beverages are served during business hours.

President Afriat reminded the applicants that minors cannot be present in Billiard rooms where alcohol is served. Mr. Melgar confirmed that minors are not allowed in the Billiard Room area.

On motion of President Afriat, seconded by Commissioner Barger, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the aforementioned license.

Ayes: 4 - President Steven Afriat, Secretary Sara Vasquez, Commissioner Shan Lee and Commissioner James Barger

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III. REPORTS**6. Commissioners' Comments (13-1542)**

**The Commission reviewed the calendar for April and May.
The Commission agreed to cancel the following meetings:**

**April 17, 2013
April 24, 2013 and
May 1, 2013**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8, 2013.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS**Public Comment****7. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-1543)**

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

Adjournment**8. Adjournment for the meeting of April 10, 2013. (13-1544)**

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.